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In RE application of

Y. KIYOTOKI et al

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For: CORRISION-RESISTING AND WEAR-RESISTING ALLOY

AND DEVICE USING THE SAME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identfied application.

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A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 11, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper. Remarks/Arguments begin on page ??